UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

STANDING ORDER FOR ALL CIVIL CASES BEFORE DISTRICT JUDGE JON S. TIGAR

A. Service of this Order Is Required

Within five days of the filing of the complaint or the addition of a new party, plaintiff is ordered to serve on all parties a copy of this Order and the Standing Order for All Judges of the Northern District Court Concerning Joint Case Management Statements.

B. <u>Court Schedule</u>

Judge Tigar hears civil motions on Thursdays at 2:00 p.m., in Courtroom 9, 19th Floor, United States District Court, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California. Motions must be noticed for a hearing in accordance with Civil Local Rule 7. Counsel need not reserve a hearing date in advance. Before selecting a hearing date, however, counsel must consult Judge Tigar's weekly calendar, which is available at http://www.cand.uscourts.gov/jst, to determine which dates are available. The Court may reset noticed hearing dates as its calendar requires.

The Court may find a matter suitable for disposition without oral argument and vacate the hearing on the matter. If, however, any party advises the Court in writing by no later than two days from the date of the order vacating the hearing that most or all of the argument for its side will be conducted by a lawyer who has been licensed to practice law for five or fewer years, and who has not previously presented argument before this Court, then the Court will reschedule the hearing at a time that is convenient to all parties in order to provide that opportunity. Counsel shall confer with each other, and the party requesting the rescheduling of the hearing shall identify the upcoming available dates on the Court's calendar at which all counsel are available for the hearing.

Case management conferences are held on Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. Pretrial conferences are held on Fridays at 2:00 p.m., and are sometimes conducted at the Oakland federal courthouse.

Scheduling questions may be addressed to Courtroom Deputy William Noble at (415) 522-2036 or jstcrd@cand.uscourts.gov.

C. Joint Case Management Statement and Initial Case Management Conference

Parties are required to file a joint case management statement not less than seven court days before a scheduled case management conference, unless the Court sets a different

deadline.

The Northern District Court requires civil litigants to meet and confer regarding specified topics, including alternative dispute resolution and the discovery of electronically stored information ("ESI"), prior to the filing of the initial joint case management statement.

Civil litigants before this Court must review and comply with the terms of the Northern District Standing Order For All Judges Concerning Joint Case Management Statements. In addition, the parties must review in detail the Northern District's ESI Guidelines and Checklist for Rule 26(f) conferences. The Court discourages deviation from the ESI Guidelines absent good cause. Failure to meet and confer regarding the required topics prior to the initial case management conference, including alternative dispute resolution and ESI, may, in the reasonable exercise of the Court's discretion, result in sanctions or disciplinary action.

D. Motions for Summary Judgment

Absent good cause, the Court will consider only one motion for summary judgment per party. Any party wishing to exceed this limit must request leave of court and must show good cause. Motions for summary judgment shall comply with Civil Local Rule 7 in all respects.

E. Courtesy Copies and Proposed Orders

The Court requires courtesy copies only of publicly-filed motions and related briefing, including attachments, exhibits, declarations, and other accompanying material. Courtesy copies shall be double-sided. The Court discourages the service of courtesy copies of any other documents, except when specifically requested by the Court.

The quality, condition, and labeling of binders, when used, should be such that the Court can easily identify, review, and transport the binders' contents. Whenever possible, the spine of a binder should not exceed three inches in width, even if that limitation results in the use of more than one binder.

All courtesy copies or hard copies of documents must be lodged with the clerk's office in San Francisco for delivery to the chambers of Judge Tigar, even if the document is related to a case filed in or pending in Oakland or San Jose.

F. <u>Discovery Matters</u>

A party may not file a motion regarding a discovery dispute without leave of court. If a discovery dispute arises, the parties shall meet and confer in good faith to attempt to resolve the dispute. If the parties are unable to reach a resolution through this process, they shall file a joint letter brief of five pages or less that describes each disputed issue. The joint letter brief must be filed electronically in the Civil Events category of Motions and Related Filings > Motions – General > Discovery Letter Brief. After the letter brief is submitted, the Court will advise the parties as to how it intends to proceed.

Discovery disputes may be referred to a Magistrate Judge. If a discovery dispute is referred to a Magistrate Judge, the Magistrate Judge to whom the dispute is referred will advise the parties as to how that Judge intends to proceed.

After a Magistrate Judge has been assigned to a case for discovery, the parties in that case must handle any discovery matters according to the procedures set by that Judge.

Dated: July 8, 2016

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